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Program Directors – Save the Date!
TSDA General Session Meeting
May 10, 2008 – San Diego, California

PREREQUISITE READING

- [Reoperative Valve Surgery](#) (Chapter 49, pp 1159-1174) by Greelish, J.P., Ahmad, R.M., Balaguer, J.M., et al, in Cohn, L.H., *Cardiac Surgery in the Adult, Third Edition*, New York; McGraw-Hill, 2008.
- [Coronary Artery Reoperations](#) (Chapter 27, pp 711-732), by Gonzalez-Stawinski, G.V., and Lytle, B.W., in Cohn, L.H., *Cardiac Surgery in the Adult, Third Edition*, New York; McGraw-Hill, 2008.

CORE CURRICULUM

Cardiac: Congestive Heart Failure

Talks

- [Comparison of Intensive Medical Treatment vs. Left Ventricular Assist for Patients with Advanced Congestive Heart Failure](#) – Eric A. Rose, MD

Readings

- Heart Failure (Chapter 49, pp 1763-1769) in Kouchoukos, N., Blackstone, E., Doty, D., Hanley, F., and Karp, R., eds., *Cardiac Surgery: Kirklin/Barratt-Boyes, Third Edition*, Philadelphia: Elsevier, 2003.
- [Long-Term Mechanical Circulatory Support](#) (Chapter 67, see especially sections “Patient Selection” through “Newer-Generation and Future Devices”) in Cohn, L.H., *Cardiac Surgery in the Adult, Third Edition*, New York; McGraw-Hill, 2008.

Thoracic: Esophageal Perforation

Talk

- [Esophageal Perforation: Diagnosis and Treatment](#) – Hermes C. Grillo, MD

Readings

- Esophageal Trauma (Chapter 138, pp 2101-2112) in Shields, T.W., LoCicero, J., Ponn, R.B., (eds), *General Thoracic Surgery, Sixth Edition*, Philadelphia, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2005.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- View [readings and references](#) from this and past Curricula E-mails.
- View TSDA Weekly Curricula E-mail [Archive](#).
- Access the complete [TSDA Education Universe](#).

TSDA NEWS

- The full [88-week core curriculum](#) has now been posted on the TSDA Web site. The curriculum is currently in March of year one. Year two of the two-year schedule will begin in July 2008.
- The Cardiothoracic Technology Symposium, sponsored by TSRA and TSDA, will be held April 18-20, 2008, at the University of Cincinnati Center for Surgical Innovation and the Marriott Kingsgate Conference Center, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Residents wishing to participate in this popular program should request a letter of nomination from their Program Director and then visit www.ctsymposium.org for more information.
- The Southern Thoracic Surgical Association is now accepting abstracts for presentations at its 55th Annual Meeting, November 5-8, 2008, in Austin, Texas. Visit www.stsa.org to access the abstract submission system. **The deadline for STSA abstract submission is April 14, 2008.**
- If you have comments or suggestions for the TSDA Weekly Curricula E-mails, please contact Nancy Puckett at npuckett@tsda.org.

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